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TO AMEMBASSY LOME IMMEDIATE
INFO AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN
AMEMBASSY ACCRA
AMEMBASSY COTONOU

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SUBJECT: COUP PLOT

REF: LOME 1814

FOR AMBASSADOR

1. DEPARTMENT CONCERNED BY CONTINUING ALLEGATIONS FLOATING
IN LOME THAT USG SOMEHOW INVOLVED IN COUP PLOTTING.

2. IT APPEARS DESPITE EMBASSY'S FIRM DENIALS THAT RUMORS
PERSIST AND THAT SOME INDIVIDUALS, SUCH AS RADICAL IN-
TERIOR MINISTER EKLO, ARE TRYING TO PRECIPITATE PUBLIC
CHARGE OF US INVOLVEMENT.

3. IN ORDER AVOID SITUATION DRIFTING TO WHERE WE COULD
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HAVE A REPEAT OF ZAIRE EPISODE, BELIEVE ALLEGATIONS SHOULD

BE MET HEAD ON AT HIGHEST LEVELS TO REMOVE ANY THOUGHTS
OF USG INVOLVEMENT. REQUEST AMBASSADOR SEEK APPOINTMENT
WITH EYADEMA UPON LATTER'S RETURN TO LOME IN ORDER TO
ASCERTAIN WHETHER HE GIVING CREDENCE TO CHARGES AND TO
DISAVOW FULLY AND FORCEFULLY USG INVOLVEMENT IN COUP
PLOTING; IF NECESSARY, STRESSING USG HAS NO INTENTION

BEING MADE SCAPEGOAT FOR GOT'S DOMESTIC POLITICAL
TROUBLES.

4. DEPARTMENT CONCURS IN EMBASSY REPEATING REFTTEL TO
USDAO ABIDJAN. SISCO

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